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Attn: Teresa Smith

Re: North Carolina State Plan Amendment 10-008

Dear Dr. Gray:

We have reviewed the proposed amendment to the North Carolina Medicaid State Plan NC 10-008 that was received in the Regional Office on May 27, 2010. The amendment was submitted to reimburse for Early Intervention Rehabilitative Services under the rehabilitative option within the Early Periodic, Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment section of the State plan.

The State Plan Amendment revised the coverage section for the Early Intervention Rehabilitative Services for Infants and Toddlers for children age birth to age 3 in order to correct and reduce identified deficits in the cognitive, communicative, physical, socio-emotional or adaptive developmental status. The amendment clarifies the service definitions, identifies the practitioners of the services and the qualifications including licensure, certification, registration, education and experience and training.

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The submitted reimbursement page (4.19B, Section 4, Page 2 and 2a) references the Local Health Department (LHD) cost reconciliation methodology. While CMS has questions regarding that methodology they are currently being addressed as part of our review of NC 10-035B.

Based on the information provided, we are now ready to approve the Medicaid State Plan Amendment NC 10-008. This SPA was approved on May 16, 2011. The effective date of this amendment is July 1, 2010. We are enclosing the approved form HCFA-179 and plan pages.

Dr. Craigan Gray
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If you have any questions, please contact Elaine Elmore, at 404-562-7408, or Yvette Moore at 404-562-7327.

Sincerely,

/s/

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Enclosures